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SUBJECT: US FIRMS AND DOMINICAN POLITICS

- 1. DURING REGULAR MEETING WITH EXECUTIVE BOARD AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EVENING NOV 15, AMBASSADOR STATED U.S. POLICY TOWARD UPCOMING ELECTIONS WAS ONE OF NEUTRALITY AND NON-INVOLVEMENT, A POLICY WHICH HE EXPECTED U.S. FIRMS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO FOLLOW SCRUPULOUSLY. EXXON AND CHASE MANHATTAN REPS SAID THEY HAD BEEN APPROACHED FOR CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH THEY HAD REFUSED, ALTHOUGH THEY EXPECTED MOUNTING PRESSURE. AMBASSADOR SAID THAT, IF NECESSARY TO RESIST SUCH PRESSURE, THEY COULD CITE U.S. POLICY AND AMBASSADOR'S EXPLICIT INJUNCTION AGAINST ANY INVOLVEMENT IN LOCAL ELECTION SCENE.
- 2. COMMENT: UNFORTUNATELY, GULF AND WESTERN WAS NOT REPRESENTED FOR THEY HAVE REPORTEDLY CONTRIBUTED IN PAST ELECTIONS. AMB WILL HAVE SPECIAL SESSION ON THIS SUBJECT WITH G&W. HURWITCH

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